

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes

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| Committee | Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Annual Meeting |
| Date | Thursday, January 22, 2016 |
| Time | 8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. |
| Location | Utah State Capitol Complex, Senate Bldg., Copper Room |
| Members Present | Pat Berckman, Chris Crowder, Gini Highfield, Anthony Johnson, Shirlee Silversmith, Pam Vickrey, Debbie Whitlock |
| Members Excused | Chief Steve Anjewierden, Matthew Davies, Spencer Larsen, Nindy Le, Lincoln Nehring, Van Nguyen |
| Members Absent | Brent Platt, Troy Rawlings, Rachael Skidmore |
| Staff | Toni Gray, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen |
| Visitors | |
| Agenda Item | Welcome and Approval of Minutes |
| Notes | <p>Pat Berckman called the meeting to order in Spencer's absence and welcomed everyone. Gini Highfield made the motion to approve the minutes with the addition of a comment in the Outcome Evaluation Contract section, describing what option one is, from the November meeting. Pam Vickrey seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p> <p>New Membership Consideration – The Utah Board of Juvenile Court Judges has nominated Judge Janice Frost from the Second District Juvenile Court to serve on the UBJJ Board. She would replace Judge James Michie. Also nominated was Dawn Marie Rubio (Juvenile Court Administrator) to replace Gini Highfield on the UBJJ Board.</p> <p>Gini Highfield made the motion to accept the nominations. Debbie Whitlock seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p> <p>Committee Assignment and Discussion – Pam Vickrey made the motion to place the Title V and Gang committees on inactive status and to create a Policy & Legislative committee. Chris Crowder seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p> <p>At the December executive committee meeting, Pam Vickrey was nominated to Chair-Elect, Anthony Johnson as DMC Chair and Lincoln Nehring as Post-Adjudicated Vice Chair. Gini Highfield made the motion to accept those nominations. Chris Crowder seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p> <p>Gini Highfield made the motion to approve Debbie Whitlock as Chair of the new Policy & Legislative committee. Chris Crowder seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p> <p>Meeting Dates Change – The February meeting will be on February 18th at the Salt Lake County Division of Youth Services. The March meeting will be moved from March 17th to March 31st and will be in the Copper Room. The April meeting is canceled in lieu of the DTWT awards luncheon on April 29th. We will resume our regular schedule in May.</p> |
| Agenda Item | Committee Report/Update (tape 27:00) |
| Notes | <p>DMC – Anthony Johnson stated that the DMC has been discussing upcoming legislation and are looking forward to the session. Toni noted that the Best Practice committee is trying to finish training in Provo and Weber counties and are in the process of taking training statewide, starting with St. George. Cuong drafted a media release that should coincide with the statewide SRO training. DMC will have a poster display at the CJJ conference. Feedback has been excellent.</p> <p>DTWT – The youth committee has been very busy and is in process of grading of 319 essays. Essays were scored on Tuesday at the U of U College of Social Work and Friday will be at Weber State. Once that is done the youth committee will do data entry of the scores. February 4th is the deadline to send essays to the Board for review of the top 90. The Board will have 2 weeks to review and score. Once those are done we will have our top 12 to send to the VIP judges. April 29th is the DTWT Awards Luncheon. We still need a keynote speaker. Please send any suggestions to Cuong.</p> |

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| Agenda Item | SB 167 Working Group & 2016 Legislative Meeting Update (tape 37:00) |
| Notes | <p>The SB167 working group has met a couple times and are basically talking about the following question: If you are able to convince the state to give you funding to represent youth, what would that number be? The working group needs to obtain data from the courts on the number of cases where youth are deemed indigent. Youth have the right to Counsel. The statute is not clear on indigence at present. We need clarification on that and to get funding. If we are successful in obtaining funding, would we want to make that a priority position for UBJJ?</p> <p>The first legislative meeting was held on January 11th. You may view UBJJ positions on legislation at www.juvenile.utah.gov, click on CCJJ, then on Citizen Information, and finally on CCJJ Legislative Tracking.</p> <p>Pam Vickrey will reach out to Rep. Jackson regarding SB45, compulsory Education Revisions. UBJJ also has concerns regarding HB114, Controlled Substance Reporting.</p> |
| Agenda Item | Three-Year Strategic Plan (tape 1:04) |
| Notes | <p>Cuong discussed the Three-Year Strategic Plan that was developed at our annual meeting. Our goal is to maximize the impact of UBJJ on ongoing juvenile justice reform efforts.</p> <p>Goal 1: Legislative Priorities have the Board involved in Interim Committee meetings all year long and delegate issues to a smaller working group. At a future meeting, make assignments to meet goals.</p> <p>Goal 2: Delinquency Prevention</p> <p>Goal 3: DMC</p> <p>Goal 4: Native American Programs</p> <p>Goal 5: Youth Engagement</p> <p>Goal 6: UBJJ Impact</p> <p>Cuong will email the 2015 UBJJ Annual Report to the Board for review and input.</p> |
| Next Meeting | The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 18, 2016, Salt Lake Co Division of Youth Services, 177 Price Avenue, 8 am – 9:30 am |

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